

PUBLIC NOTICE

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4
Water Management Division
61 Forsyth Street, S.W.
Atlanta, GA 30303-8960

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS (TMDLS) FOR WATER AND POLLUTANTS IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Section 303(d)(1)(C) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), 33 U.S.C. §1313(d)(1)(C), and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's implementing regulation, 40 CFR §130.7(c)(1), require the establishment of Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for waters identified by states as not meeting water quality standards under authority of §303(d)(1)(A) of the CWA. These TMDLs are to be established levels necessary to implement applicable water quality standards with seasonal variations and a margin of safety, accounting for lack of knowledge concerning the relationship between pollutant loading and water quality.

The waterbody impairment on South Carolina's 303(d) list that will be addressed by the TMDL is listed below. This impaired waterbody is located in the Saluda Basin in Lexington County.

| Waterbody Name | Station ID | § 303(d) List Pollutants |
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| Lorick Branch, headwaters to just upstream of GE Plant Intake | SC-S-150 | Fecal Coliform Bacteria |

Persons wishing to comment on the proposed TMDL or to offer new data or information regarding the proposed TMDL are invited to submit the same in writing no later than August 16, 2004 to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, Water Management Division, 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960, ATTENTION: Ms. Sibyl Cole, Standards, Monitoring, and TMDL Branch.

A copy of the proposed TMDL can be obtained through the Internet or by contacting Ms. Cole at (404) 562-9437 or via electronic mail at cole.sibyl@epa.gov. The URL address for the proposed TMDL is: <http://www.epa.gov/region4/water/tmdl/tennessee/index.htm#sc>. The proposed TMDL and supporting documents, including technical information, data, and analyses, may be reviewed at 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 3:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Persons wishing to review this information should contact Ms. Cole to schedule a time for that review.

/s/
James D. Giattina, Director
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Region 4
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July 16, 2004
Date